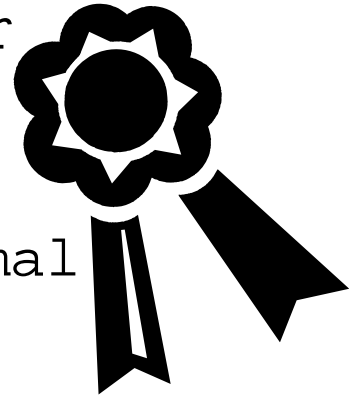




# 2008 AR State Fair Benton County 4-H



## Deadlines & Market Animal Entry Information

Please note that these dates vary from those on the state fair website! Youth wishing to show under 4-H must be a member in good standing and must fill out the appropriate paperwork and return it to the county Extension office no later than the dates listed below. **\*Please pay with check made payable to ASF.**

### **Market Steers—Steers may be processed at the Arkansas Spring Livestock Show on May 4 for a \$30 fee. See ASF (Arkansas State Fair) for details.**

Ownership Deadline: May 16

Animal ID Kit Order: May 2 @ \$20 per kit

Animal ID Kit Order (Late): May 3 – May 9 @ \$30 per kit

Online Nomination/DNA Kit Submission: May 23—FREE

Online Nomination/DNA Kit Submission (Late): June 6 @ \$10 per head

### **Market Hogs**

Ownership Deadline: July 7

Animal ID Kit Order: June 13 @ \$15 per kit

Animal ID Kit Order (Late): June 14 – June 30 @ \$25 per kit

Online Nomination/DNA Kit Submission: July 9—FREE

Online Nomination/DNA Kit Submission (Late): July 16 @ \$5 per head

### **Market Lambs / Market Goats**

Ownership Deadline: July 14

Animal ID Kit Order: June 30 @ \$15 per kit

Animal ID Kit Order (Late): July 1 – 7 @ \$25 per kit

Online Nomination/DNA Kit Submission: July 21—FREE

Online Nomination/DNA Kit Submission (Late): July 22 – 28 @ \$5 per head

\*There are important changes to the 2008 State Fair regarding weigh backs for all species. Please check out [www.asfg.net](http://www.asfg.net) for the complete rules & regulations.

REMEMBER... These dates pertain to the day that you must have the proper information and paperwork into your county Extension office. Although the county office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, **all paperwork needs to be at the Extension office no later than 4:00 p.m. on any given date** as most of the information has to be entered into the computer. It is not the agent's or the secretarial staff's responsibility or duty to keep the office open after 4:30 p.m. to accommodate fair deadlines.

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## OTHER IMPORTANT STATE INFORMATION:

- **ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE (for 4-H'ers):** Competition in ASF Junior Show is restricted to Arkansas students who are bona fide Arkansas 4-H members in good standing who meet other qualifications set forth in the ASF Junior Division Rules and Regulations. Exhibitors may exhibit in this show no later than the fall after graduating from high school or receiving their GED certificate. Contact the ASF Livestock Office IMMEDIATELY if you need clarification regarding this rule.
- **OWNERSHIP DEADLINE:** The date that the animal(s) must be owned by and in the possession and care of the jr. exhibitor who will enter and show the animal at the ASF.
- **ANIMAL ID KIT:** ONLY county agents and Vo-Ag instructors may order kits. Each kit will have an ASF ear tag and the necessary material to obtain the DNA samples.
- **ON-LINE NOMINATIONS:** Nominations can ONLY be submitted on-line by an agent! If submitting a late nomination, you will need to make arrangements to have an agent and computer available at the Extension office upon your arrival. **You will need to have, in hand, a valid credit card to cover the on-line late fee.**
- **DNA SUBMISSION:** Individual Animal ID must match exactly the ID that was submitted on and inside the DNA sample envelope. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to collect and submit the DNA sample with the envelope provided. If help is needed, contact the county agent. DNA samples **MUST** be sent **Certified Mail: Return Receipt** to the **AR State Fair Livestock Office, 2600 Howard St., Little Rock, AR 72206**. Any discrepancy or confusion regarding Animal ID will be the responsibility of the exhibitor. A copy of the Market Nomination Guidelines is available at [www.asfg.net](http://www.asfg.net).
- **LOST ASF TAGS & SCRAPIE TAGS:** Lost ASF ear tags can be replaced through the agent of record by completing the lost ID form with a fee. Lost scrapie tags are available through Arkansas Livestock & Poultry Commission (required on lambs & goats). ASF market lambs & market goats **MUST** possess an ASF tag AND scrapie tag in order to be allowed on the fairgrounds.
- **EXHIBITOR SIGNATURE FORMS:** All Exhibitors at the ASF must have an ASF exhibitor signature form on file with the ASF Livestock Office. This also goes for any exhibitor showing at any function at the Arkansas State Fairgrounds. This form is available at [www.asfg.net](http://www.asfg.net) or at the Extension office. Complete and mail the form to 2600 Howard Street, Little Rock, AR 72206. **This form must be mailed to the ASF by the exhibitor! Please call before you come to make sure there is an agent here to sign your form!**

## LIVESTOCK PROJECT INTENT CARDS

Each exhibitor should turn in an intent card by the due date. This informs the agent who will be exhibiting at what show. The agent will then know who needs a follow-up contact to keep someone from "falling through the cracks."